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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Makoto SASAKI

Serial No.: 09/532,892

Group Art Unit: 2815

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH COPPER FUSE SECTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 19, 2002, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

 A semiconductor memory device, including a copper fuse section that is oxidized by a laser beam in an oxidizing environment, comprising:

a dielectric film including a first film section formed on a substrate, a second film section formed on said first film section, and a third film section formed over said second film section;

a wiring line structure, including:

a first and a second wiring line, each of said first and second wiring lines formed on said second film section of said dielectric film and extending in an opposite direction, and

said copper fuse section formed on said first film section of said dielectric film, an end of said copper fuse section being connected to said first wiring line and

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Enclosed Proposed §1.116 Amendment Re:

U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/532,892

Our Ref: KUD.020

Dear Examiner Brock:

Attached, please find our proposed Amendment. I look forward to our telephone interview tomorrow at 10:00 A.M.

Very truly yours,

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Attachment:

Proposed Amendment of 8 pages.